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provided herewith. Also provided herewith is a Petition for an additional two (2) month extension of time and the requisite fee. This Preliminary Amendment is responsive to issues raised in the Office Action dated February 26, 2002.

Please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record.

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

5. (amended) A system for quantifying molecules expressing a selected epitope comprising:

- (a) a selected surface on which a molecule expressing a selected epitope is or can be immobilized; and
- (b) an epitope detector consisting of a single heavy or light chain Fv for the selected epitope or a constrained epitope specific CDR either of which have been modified to allow for attachment of oligonucleotides.
- 7. (amended) The system of claim 5 wherein the epitope detector is a universal epitope detector which detects a general epitope.

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